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SHADOW THE
HEDGEHOG
MASTER OF
CHAOS
CONTROL

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Living WEAPONS

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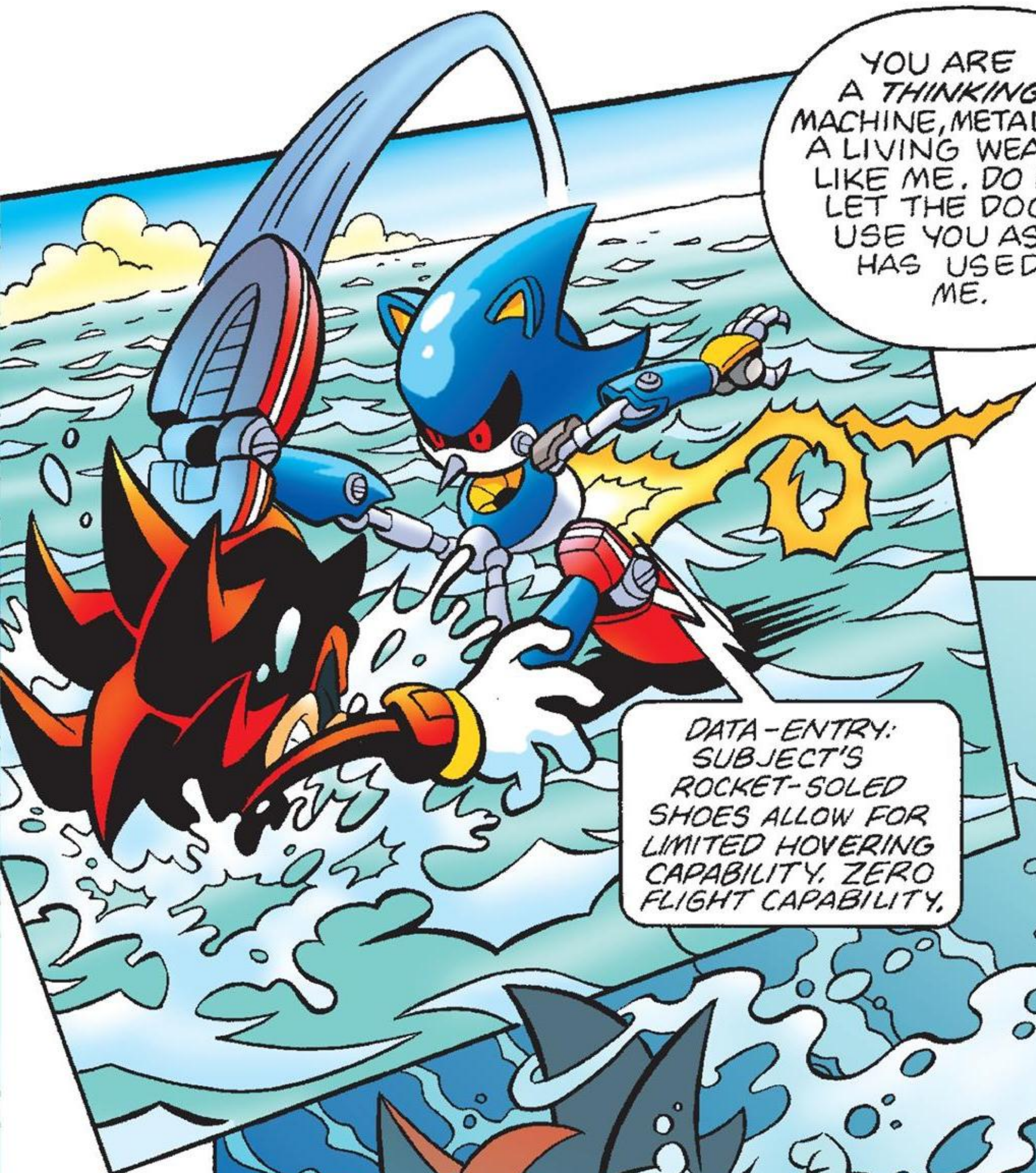
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METAL SONIC
EVIL ROBOT
DOUBLE



DATA-ENTRY:
SUBJECT'S
ROCKET-SOLED
SHOES ALLOW FOR
LIMITED HOVERING
CAPABILITY. ZERO
FLIGHT CAPABILITY.



>>SEARCHING...
>>SUBJECT'S
ABILITY TO
SWIM UNKNOWN.
>>CONSIDERED
LOW TO
NONEXISTENT.
>>INITIATE SEARCH
FOR LOCAL FORM
OF DR. ROBOTNIK.

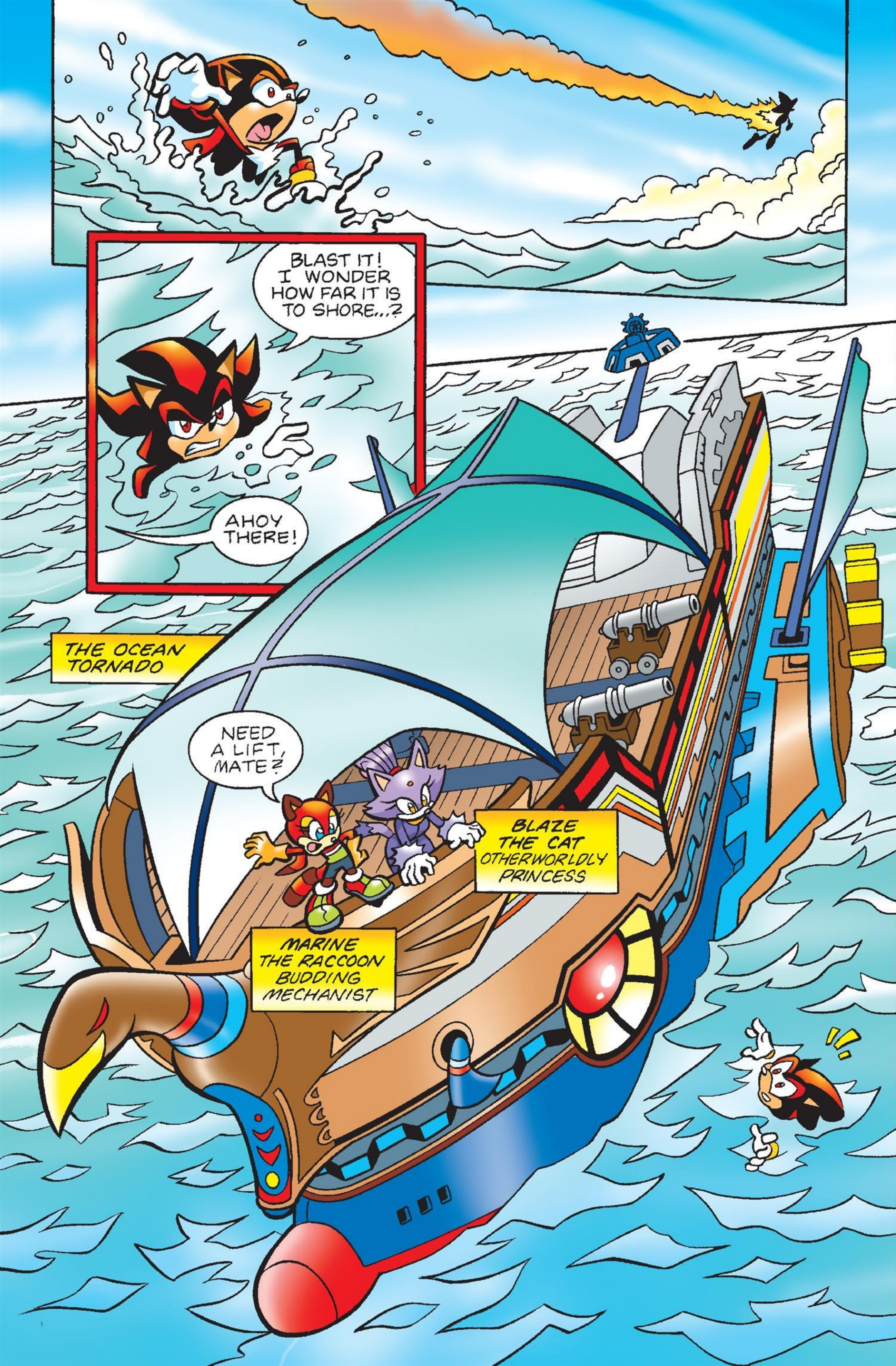


THE OCEAN
TORNADO

NEED
A LIFT,
MATE?

BLAZE
THE CAT
OTHERWORLDLY
PRINCESS

MARINE
THE RACCOON
BUDDING
MECHANIST



A MINUTE LATER...

CRUIKEY,
HE'S A
SINISTER
LOOKIN' ONE,
AIN'T HE,
BLAZE?

NOT
TO MENTION
FAMILIAR.

ARE YOU
RELATED TO
SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG?

NO, BUT
OUR PATHS
HAVE CROSSED.
I AM SHADOW
THE HEDGEHOG.

OY!
YOU HEAR
THAT?
"SHADOW"!
BET YOU'RE
FULL OF
MYSTERY, AND
DANGER, eh?

WELCOME
ABOARD THE
OCEAN TORNADO,
SHADOW.

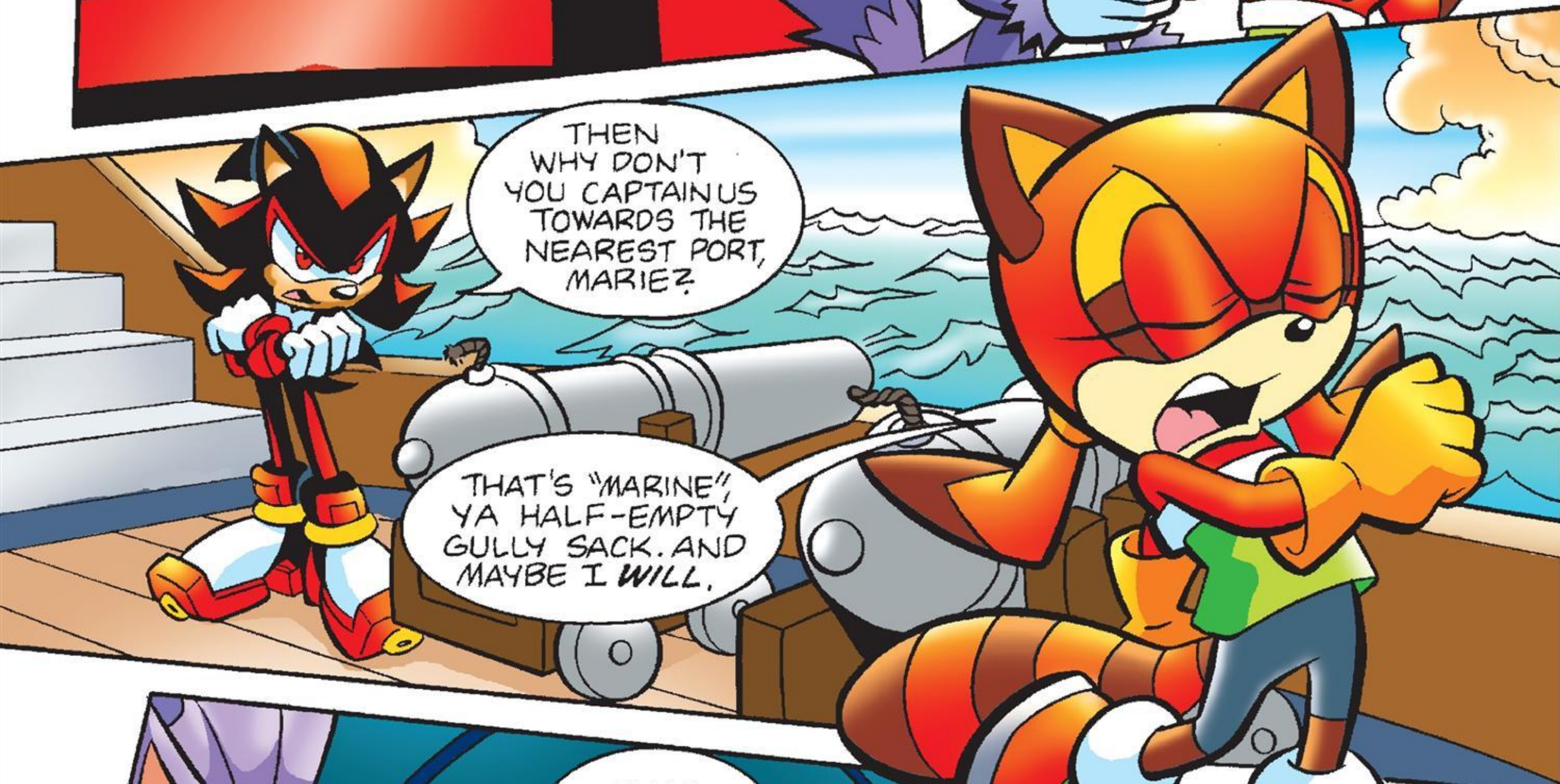
I SEE,
THANK YOU
FOR THE
RESCUE.

HOW DID
YOU WIND UP
IN THE MIDDLE
OF THE
OCEAN?

G'DAY!
I'M MARINE!
IT'S MY BOAT!
AIN'T SHE A BEAUT?
I'LL TAKE THAT
TOWEL FOR
YA!

I HAVE
BEEN DUELING
WITH A ROBOT
CALLED METAL
SONIC.
IT HAS SOME
KIND OF ENGINE
THAT CAN MOVE
IT BETWEEN
ZONES. USING
MY OWN CHAOS
CONTROL ABILITIES,
I HAVE
FOLLOWED IT
HERE.

STRENGTH!?





IT'S A
BIT OF A
TALE.

I AM
DESTINED TO
PROTECT THE
SEVEN SOL
EMERALDS,
NOT LONG
AGO, THEY
DISAPPEARED.

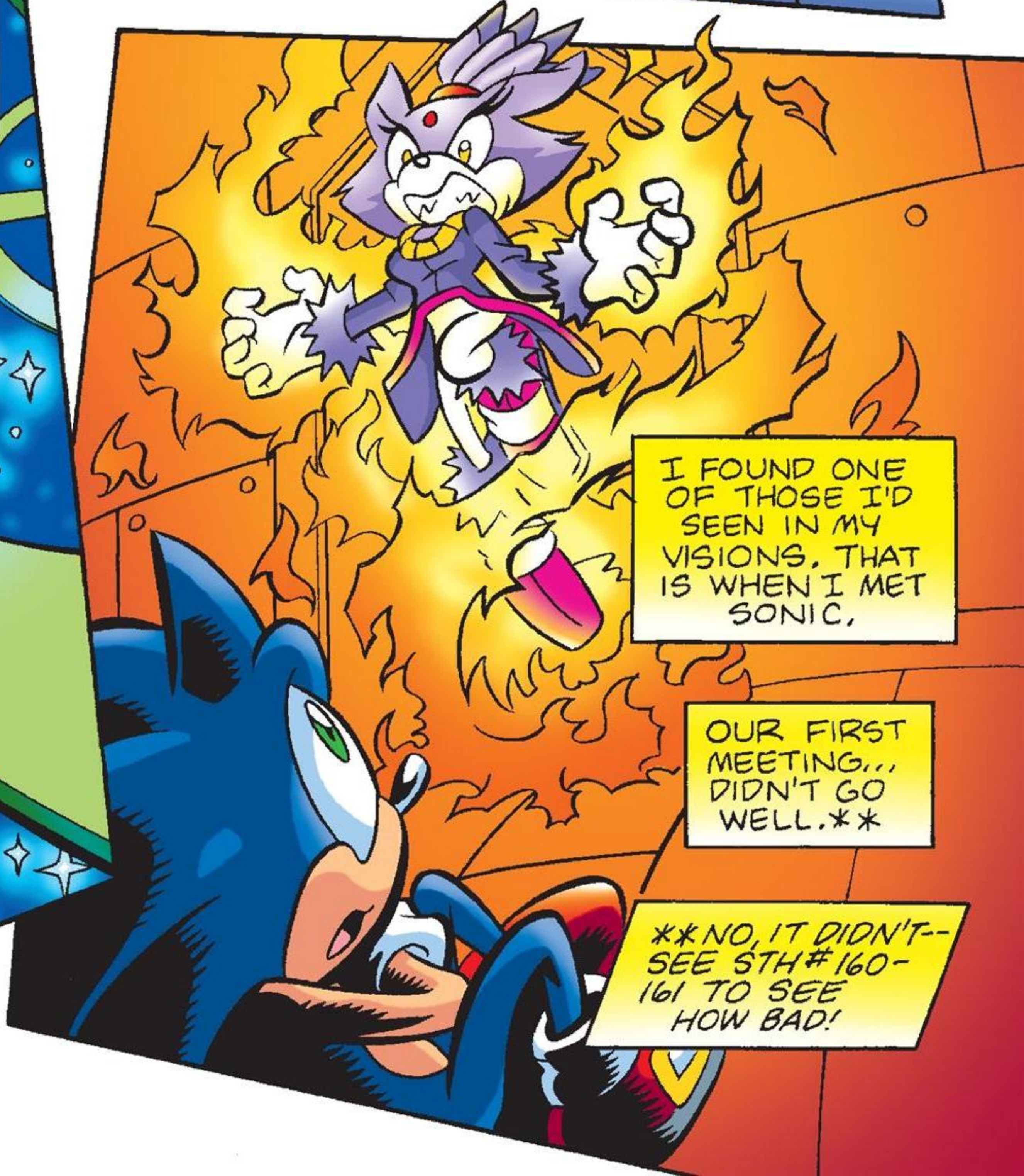
MY CONNECTION WITH THE
GEMS PRESENTED ME
WITH VISIONS. I SAW
THOSE I WOULD NEED
TO SEEK OUT,



FOLLOWING THEIR
ENERGIES, I FOUND
MY WAY TO A
MYSTERIOUS
CROSS-ROADS
THAT LED ME TO YOUR
MOBIUS.*



*SONIC'S THERE
RIGHT NOW IN
STH #197!



I FOUND ONE
OF THOSE I'D
SEEN IN MY
VISIONS, THAT
IS WHEN I MET
SONIC,

OUR FIRST
MEETING...
DIDN'T GO
WELL.**

**NO, IT DIDN'T--
SEE STH#160-
161 TO SEE
HOW BAD!

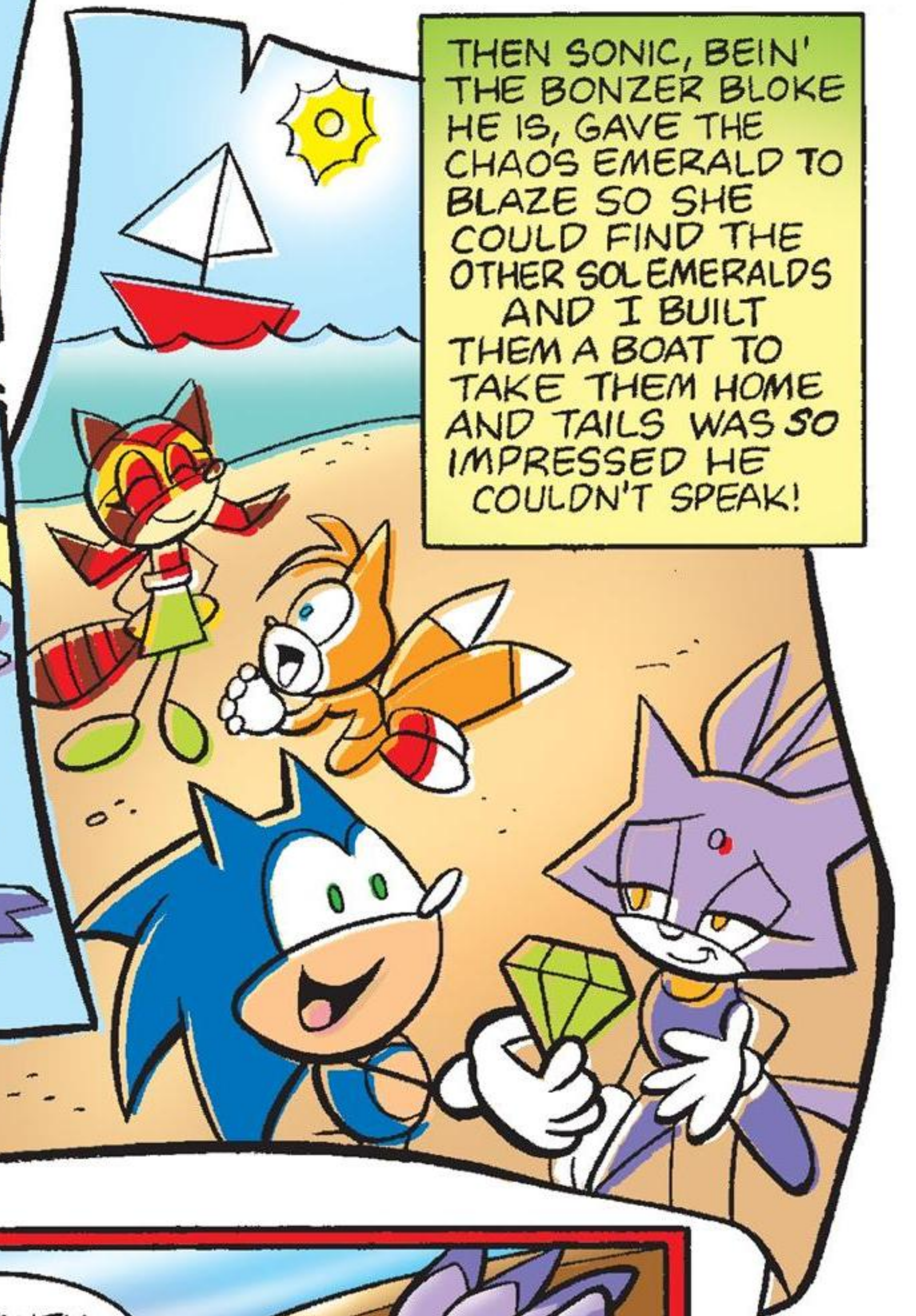
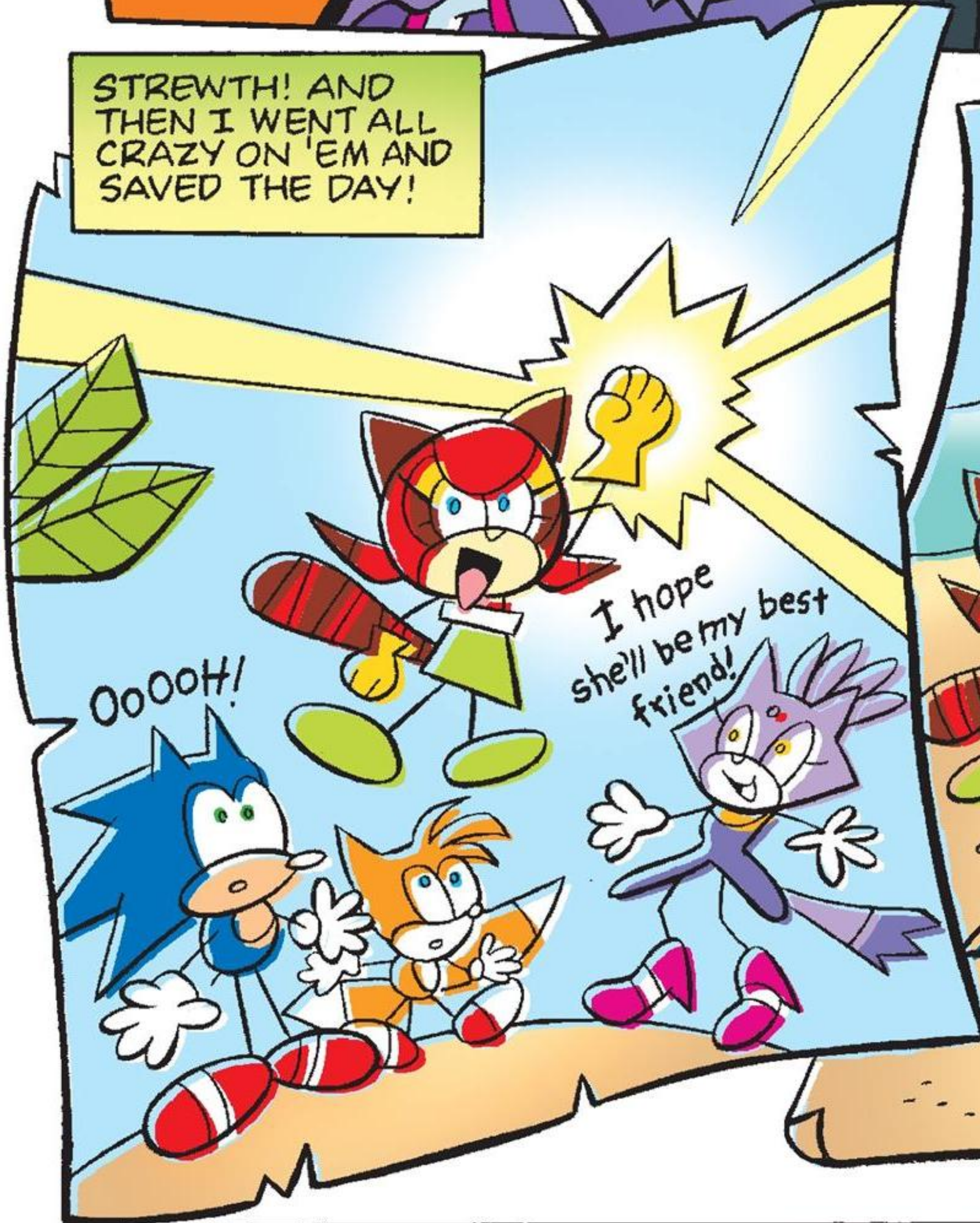
NOT LONG AFTER,
A FREAK STORM
BROUGHT SONIC
AND HIS FRIEND,
TAILS, TO MY
WORLD. I BELIEVE
MY SOL EMERALDS
AND THEIR POWER
WERE INVOLVED
WITH THEIR ARRIVAL.

THEY WERE FOUND
BY MARINE, WHO
HAD ALSO FOUND
ONE OF YOUR
CHAOS EMERALDS.

THE CHAOS
EMERALD WAS
STOLEN BY A
ROBOT PIRATE
NAMED JOHNNY,
AND WHILE HE
GOT AWAY AT
THE TIME...*

* REMEMBER?
FROM STH #180!

... THE FOUR OF
US WERE UNITED.
WE SAILED FROM
ISLAND TO ISLAND,
SEARCHING FOR
CLUES.



WOULD YOU PLEASE JUST PULL US INTO PORT?

BLIMEY! YOU TRY TO TELL A GOOD STORY AND THEY CRAWL ALL OVER YOU...

PERHAPS MY MISSION CAN BE SALVAGED AFTER ALL.

WHAT MISSION?

I WAS TRYING TO BREACH THE SPECIAL ZONE AND ACQUIRE A CHAOS EMERALD BEFORE I WAS SIDE-TRACKED BY METAL SONIC.

I SEE.

ONCE WE'RE TOPSIDE ON SOUTHERN ISLAND, I CAN...

OY! BLAZE!

WHAT, MARINE?

...DO YOU SMELL SMOKE?



WE'RE
UNDER ATTACK!
THE CAPTAIN MUST
HAVE A DEATH
WISH.



PRINCESS!
THANK HEAVENS!
IT CAME FROM
NOWHERE...



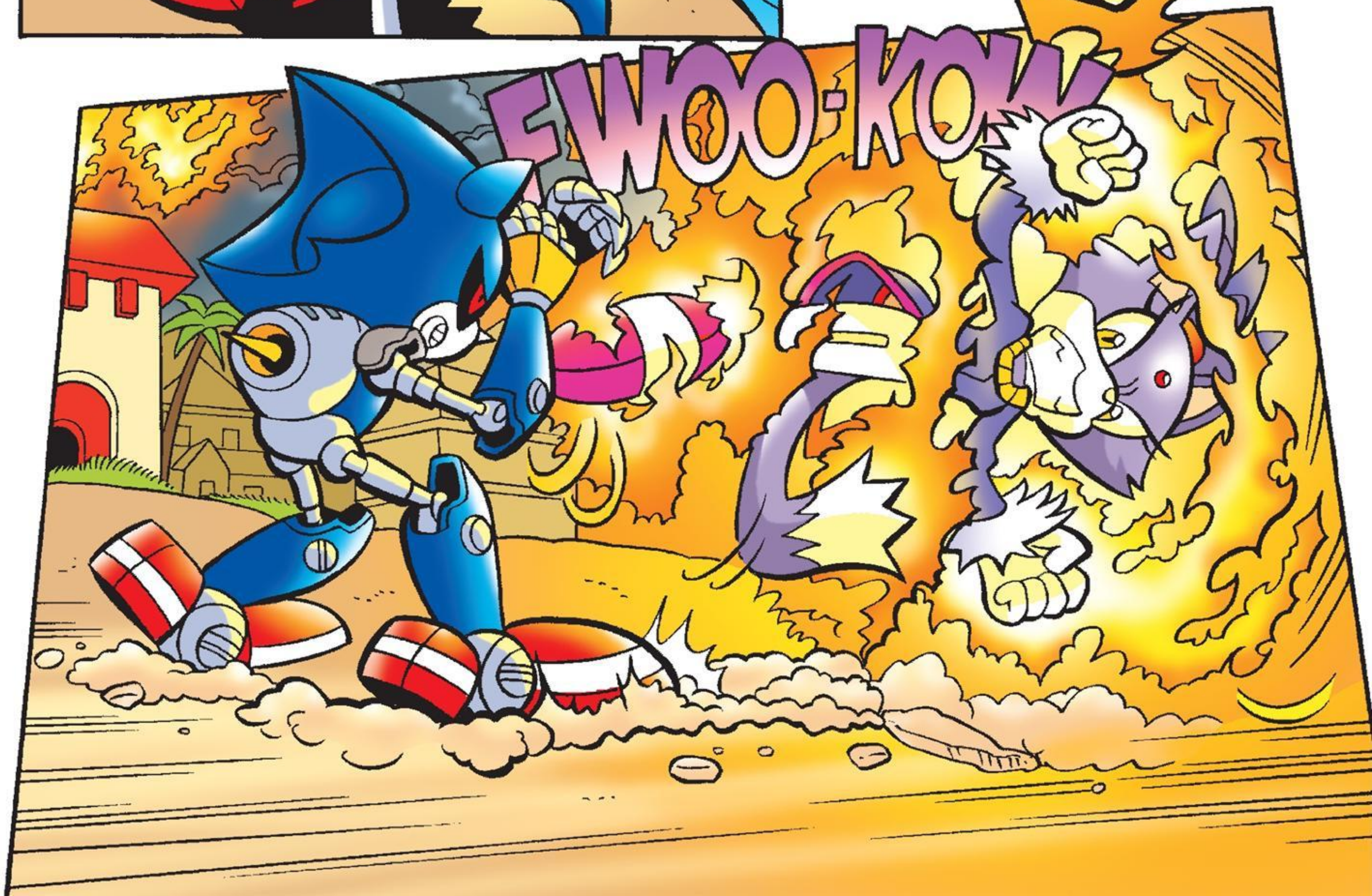
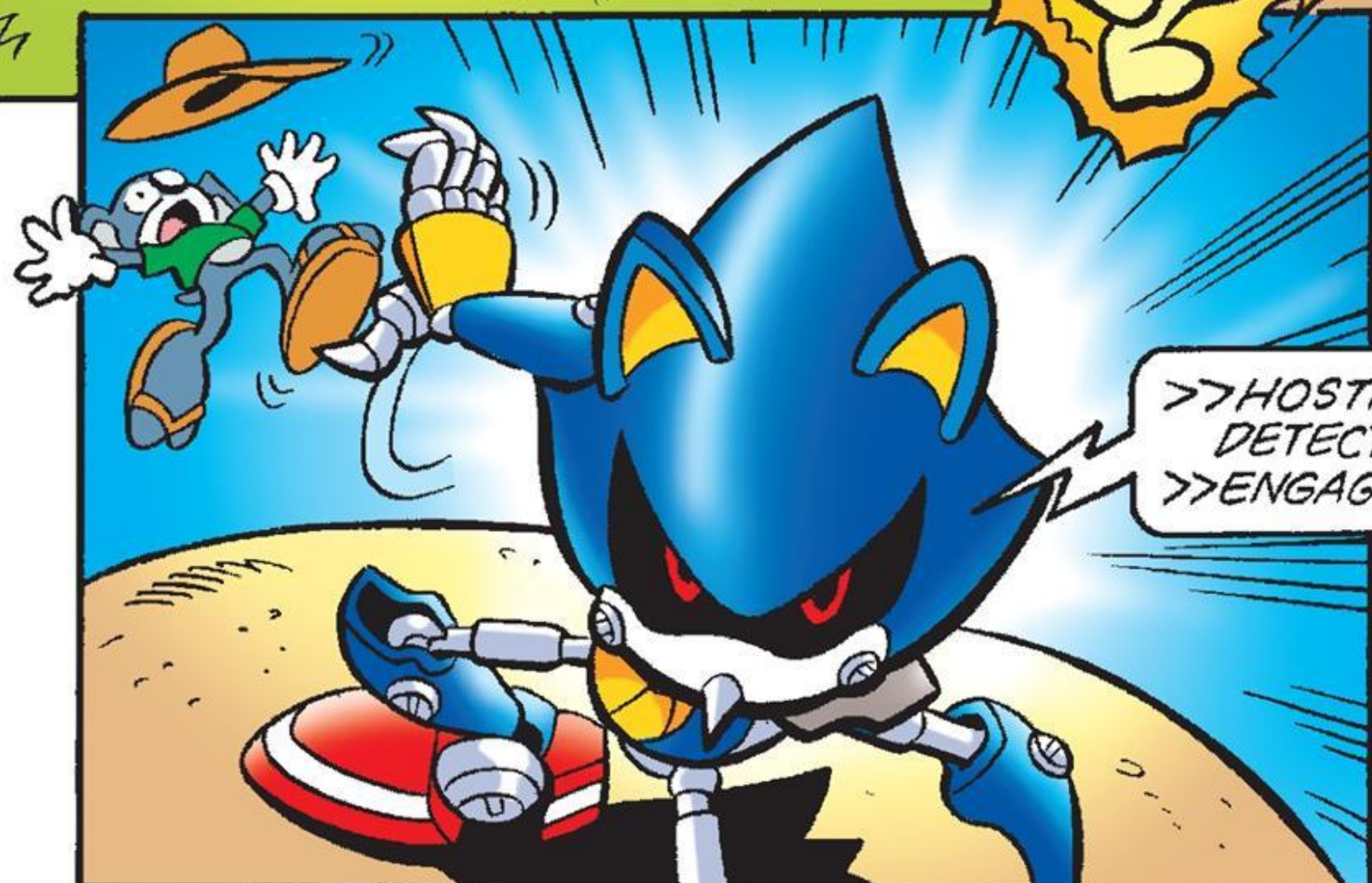
I'M SURE
YOU FOUGHT
BRAVELY. IS IT
WHISKERS'
CREW?

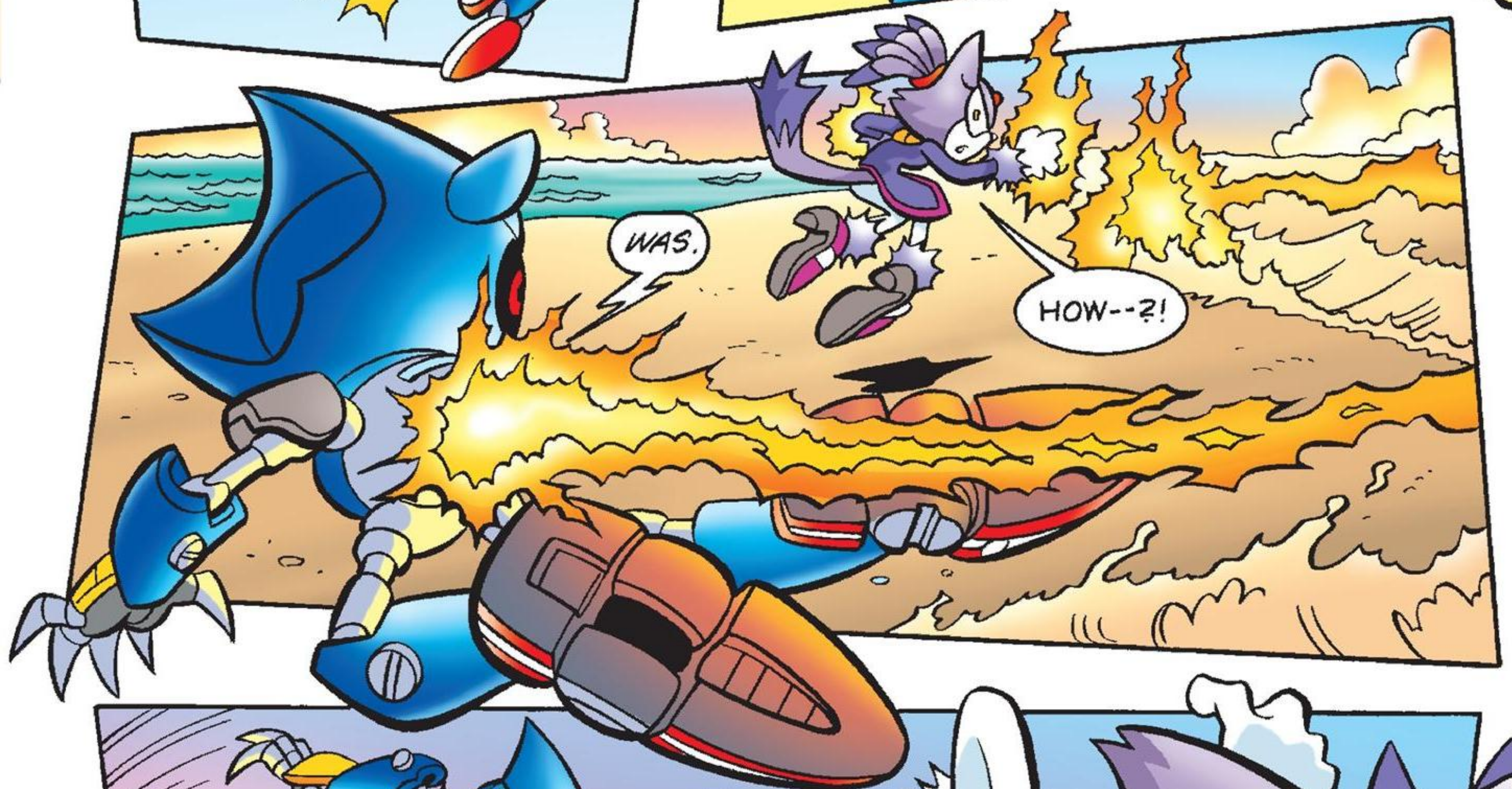
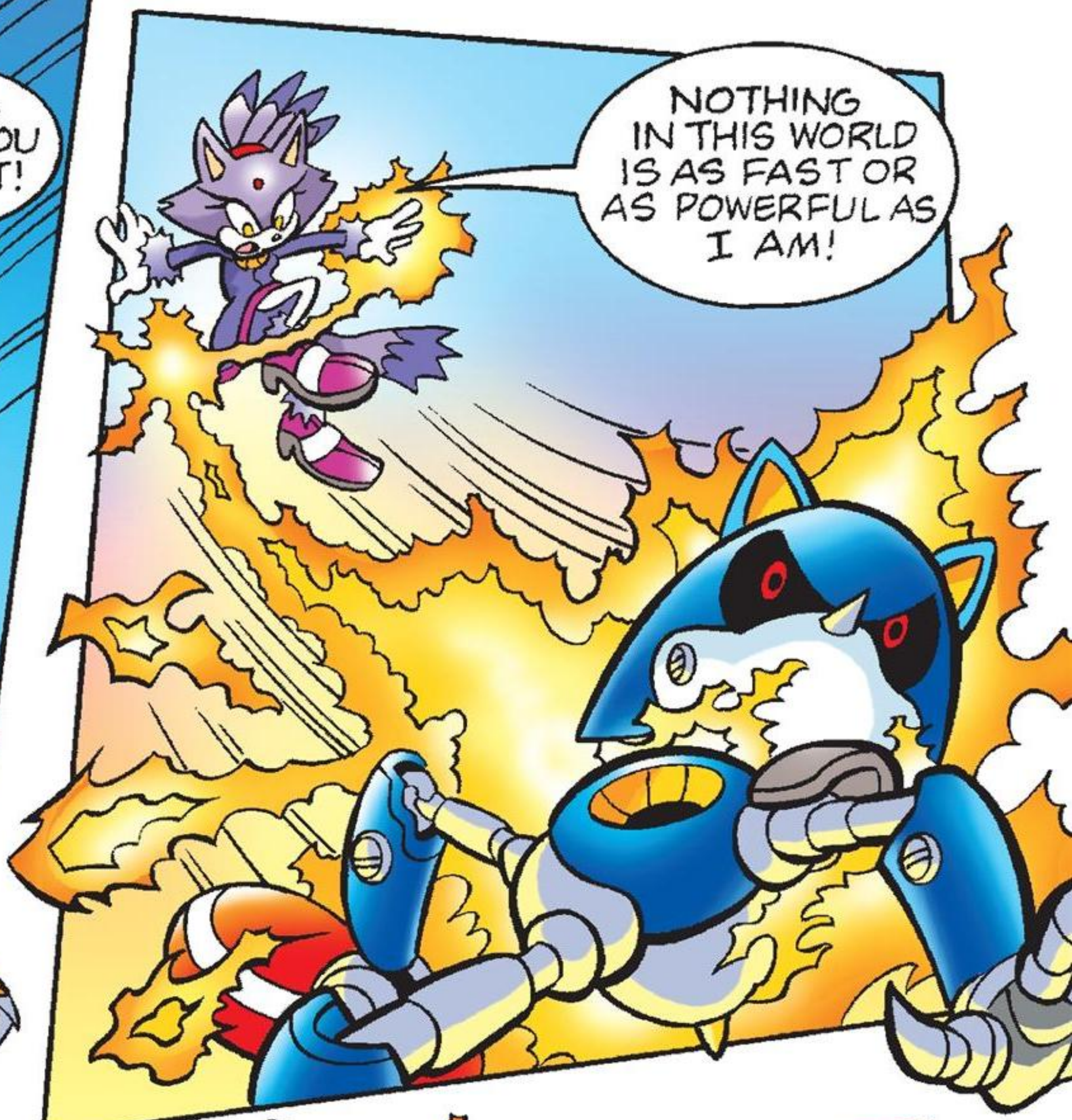
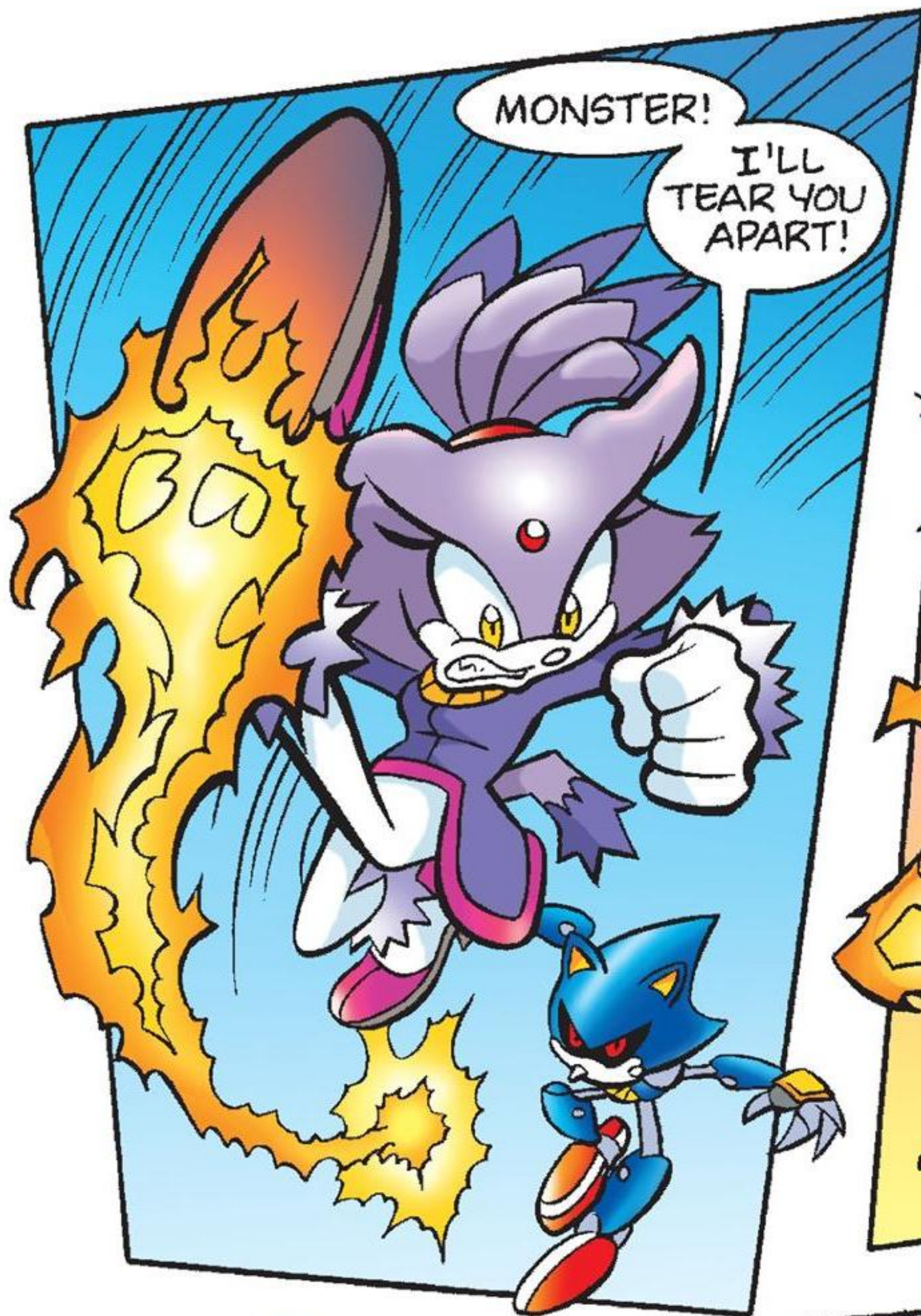


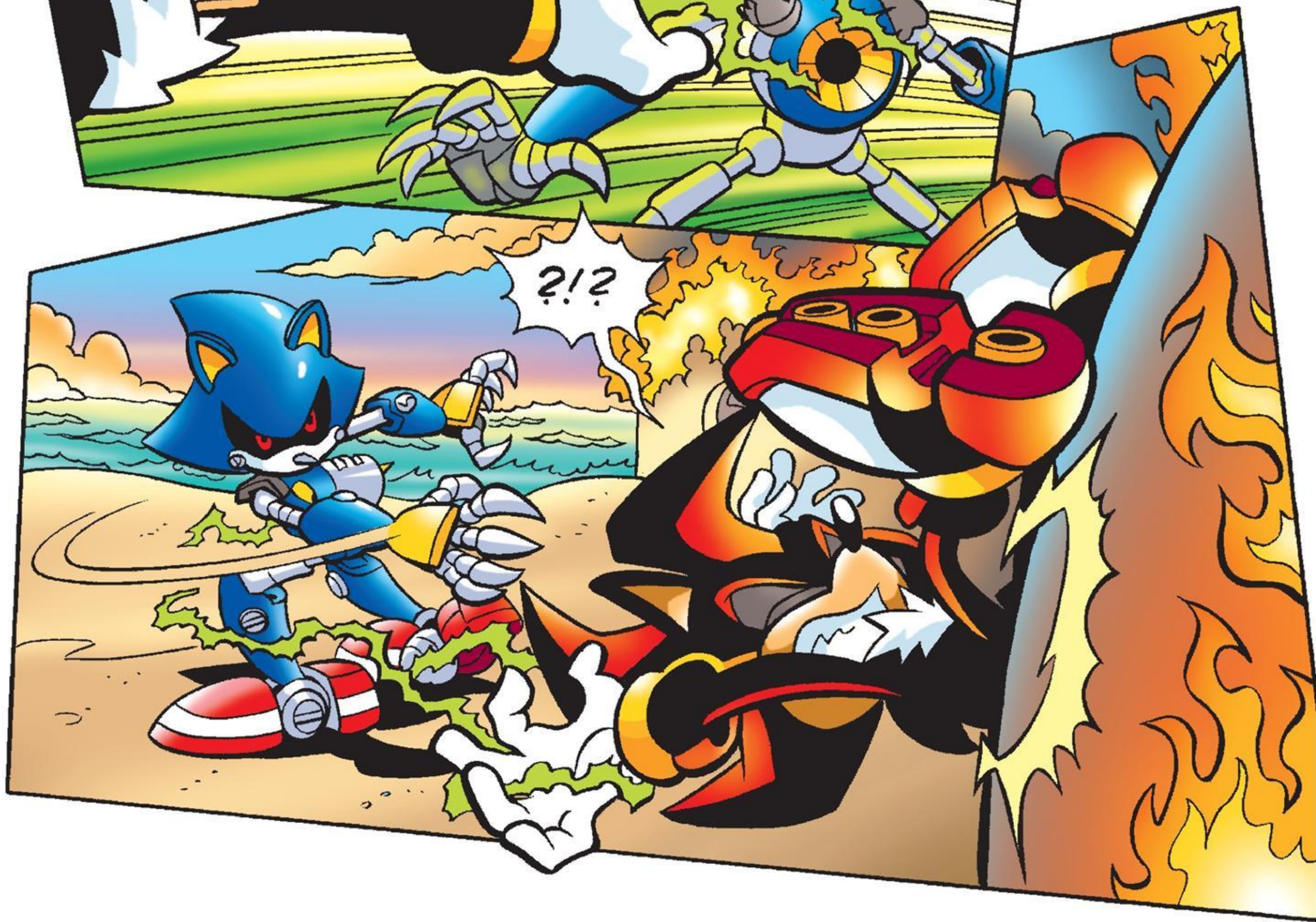
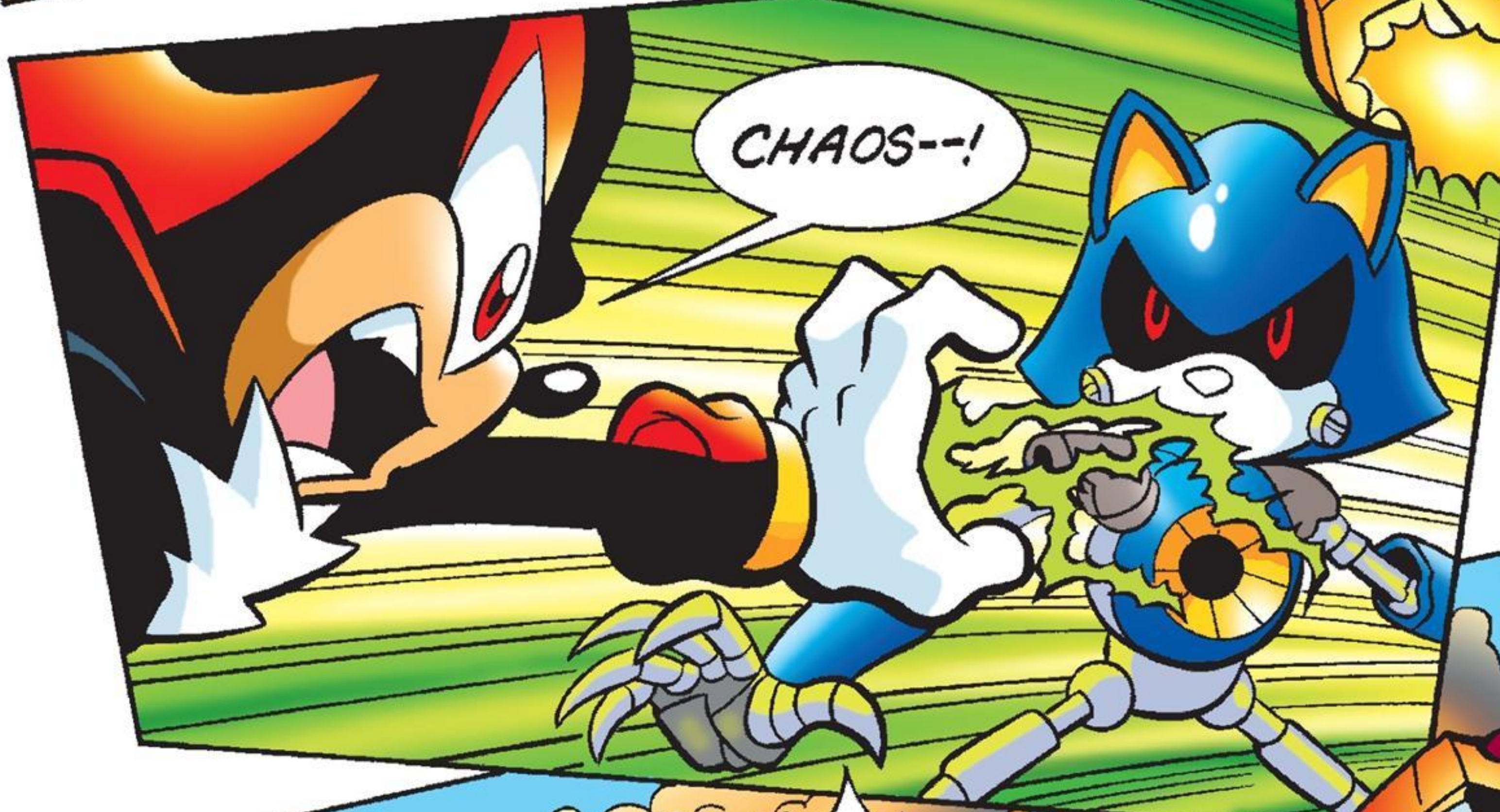
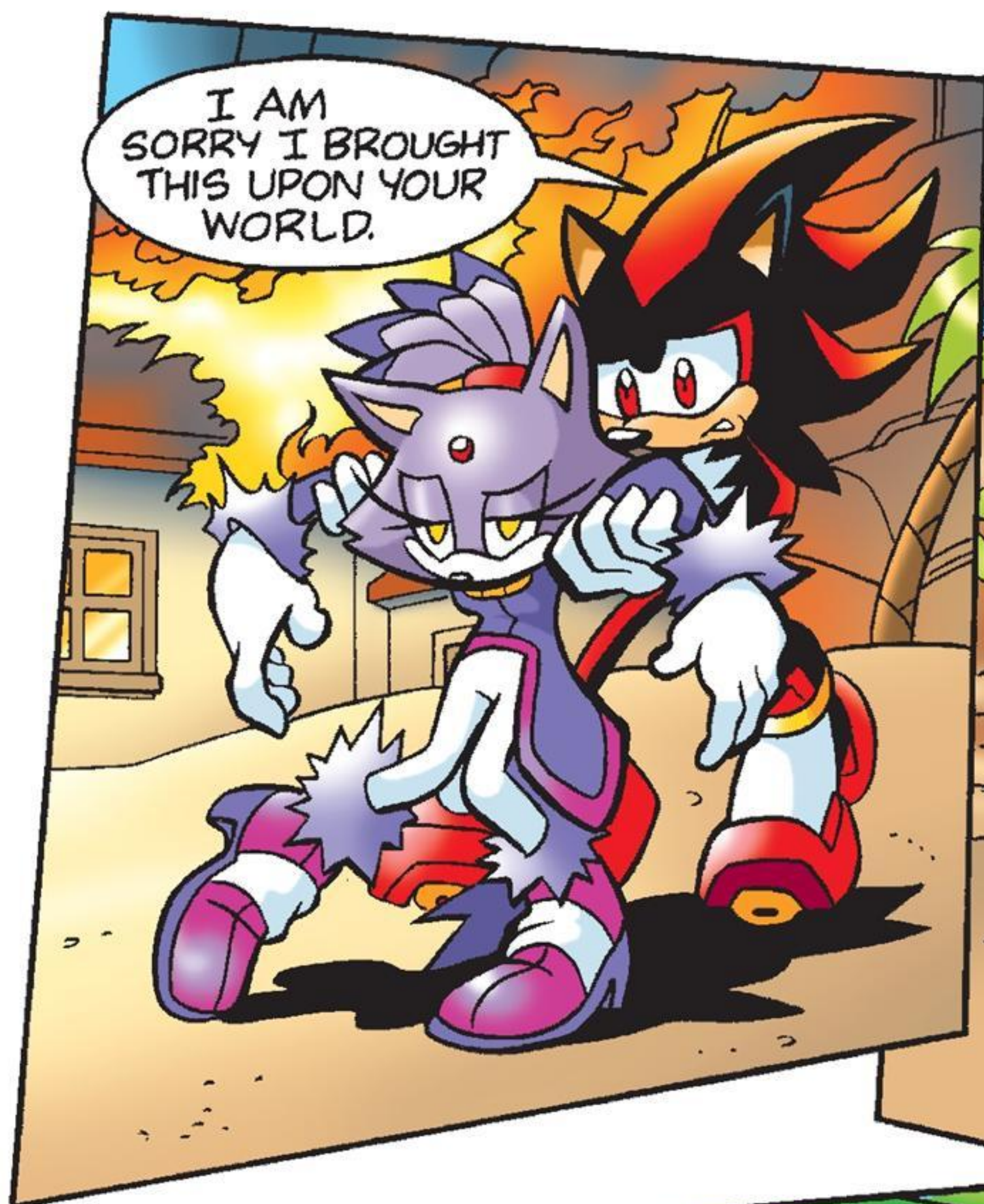
NO!
SOMETHING WORSE!
IT KEEPS DEMANDING
TO SEE A DOCTOR,
BUT WE DON'T
KNOW WHO...

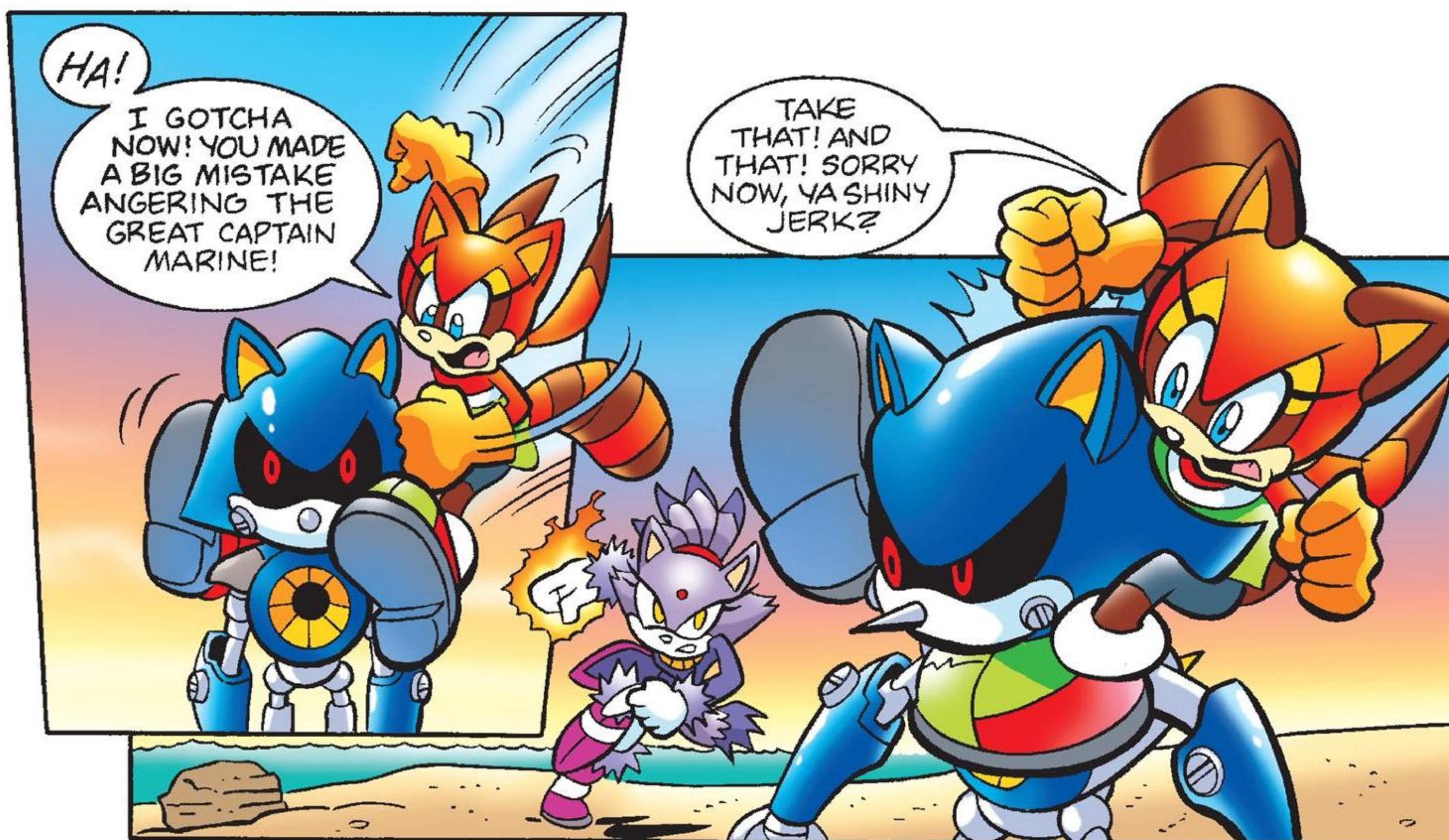


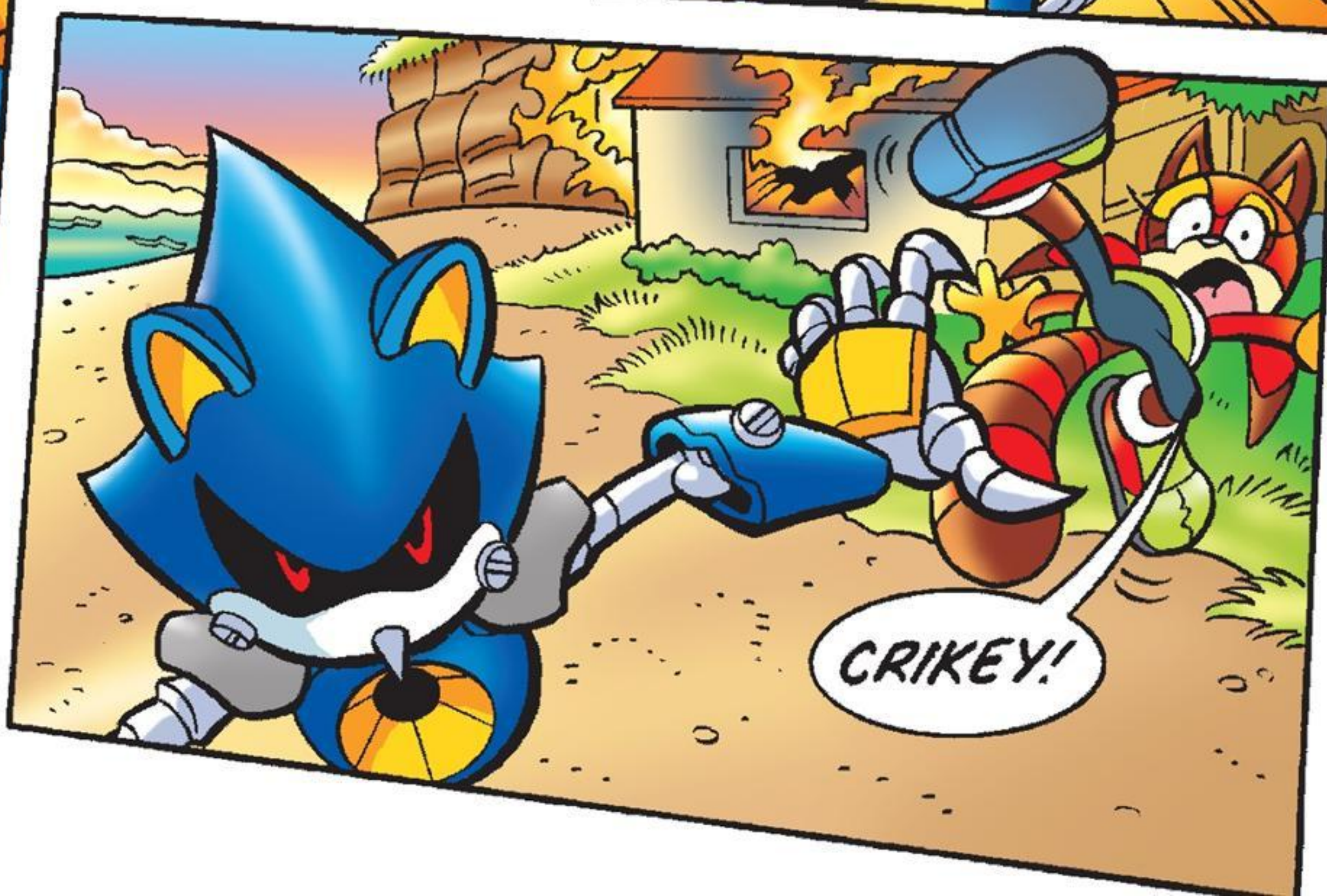
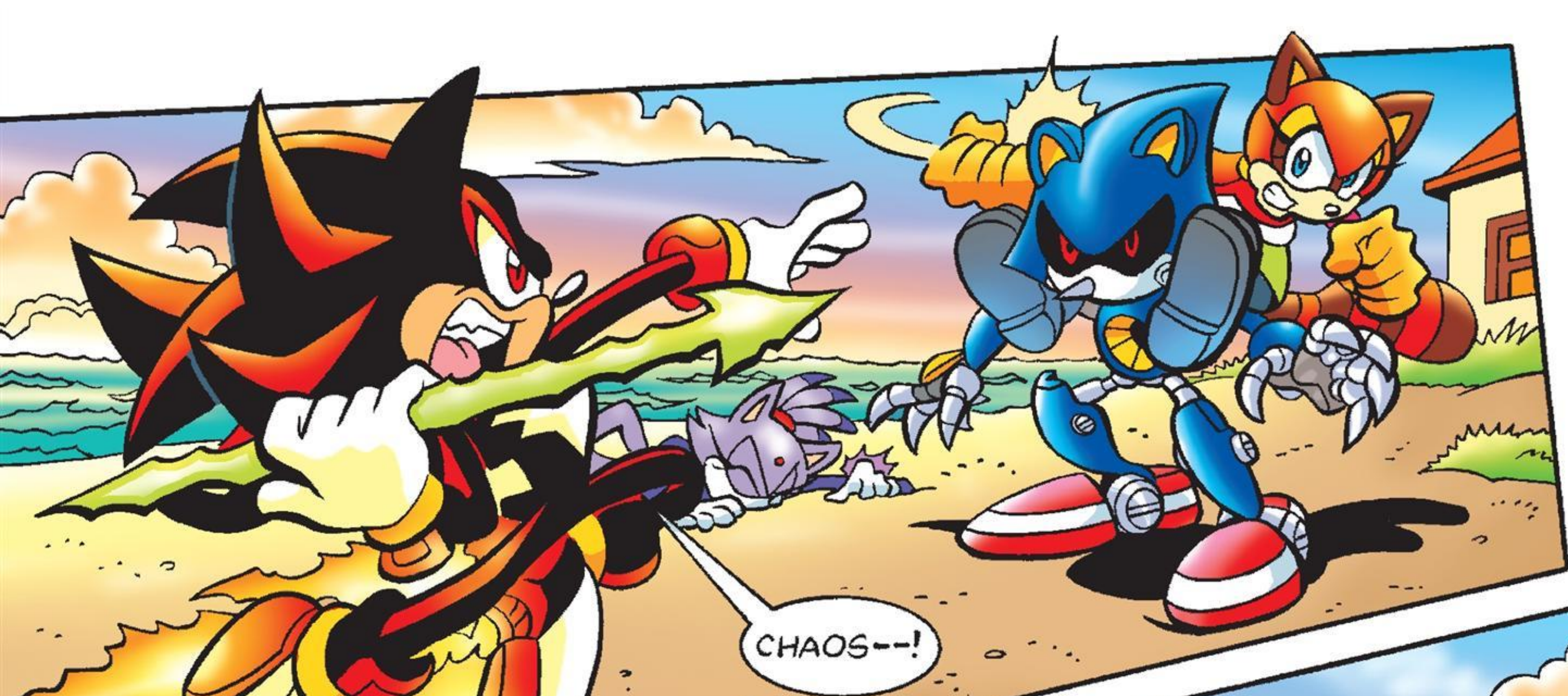
RESIDENT,
YOU WILL
PROVIDE THIS
UNIT WITH THE
LOCATION OF
YOUR
DR. ROBOTNIK.
YOU WILL
COMPLY
IMMEDIATELY.

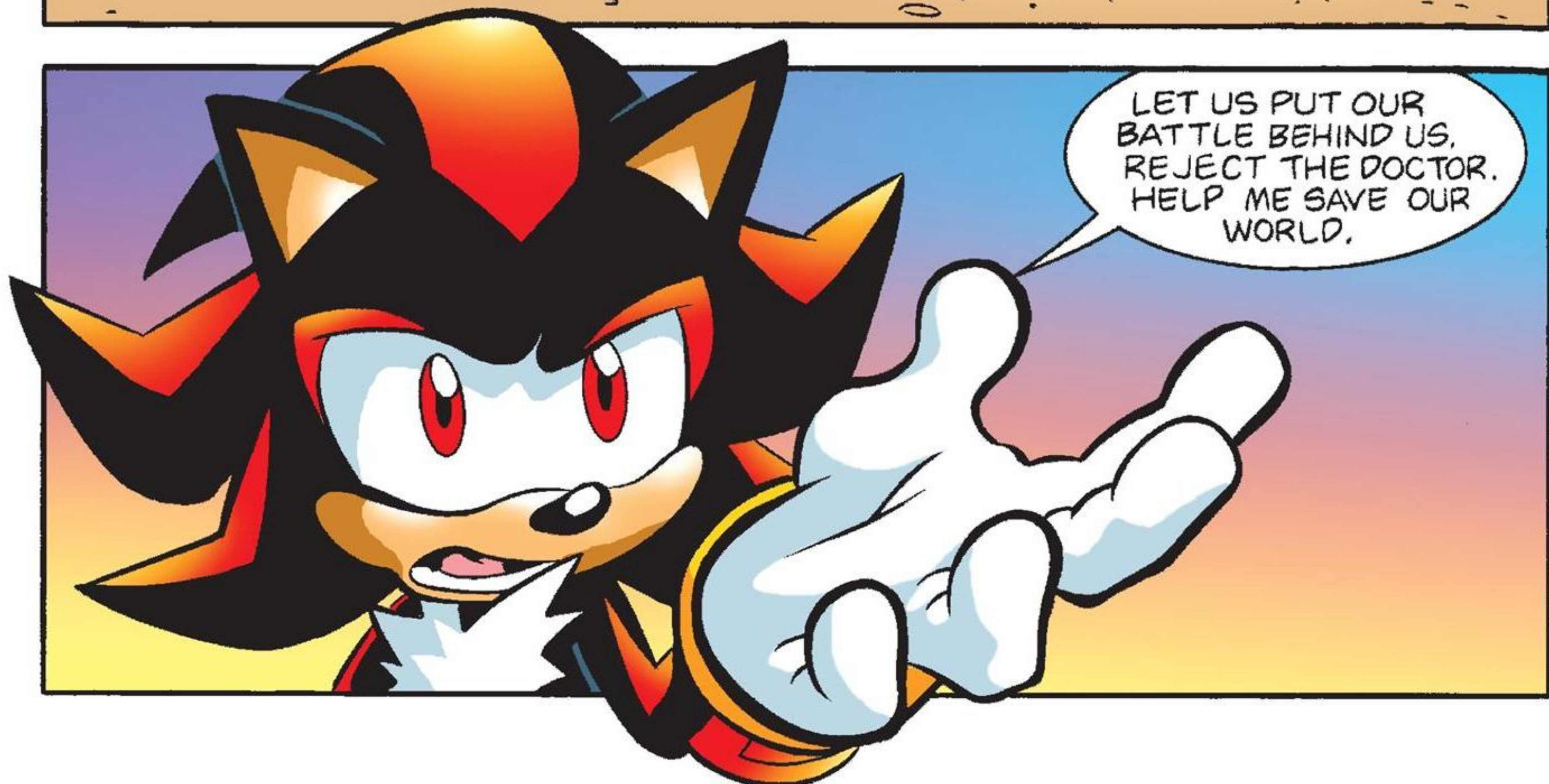
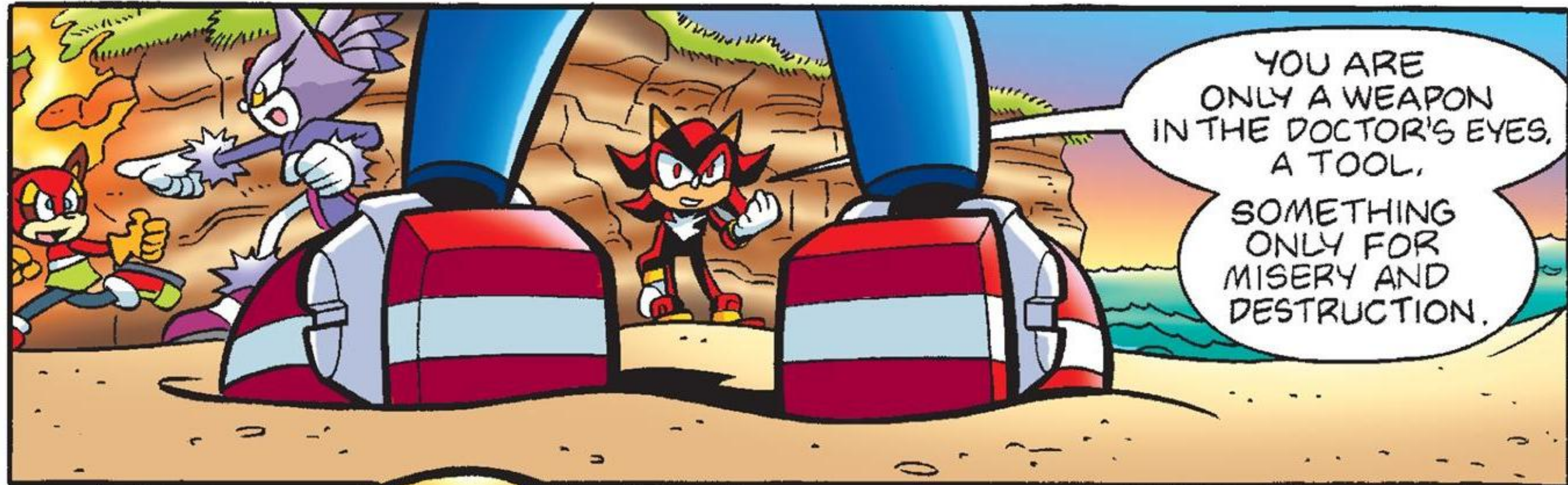
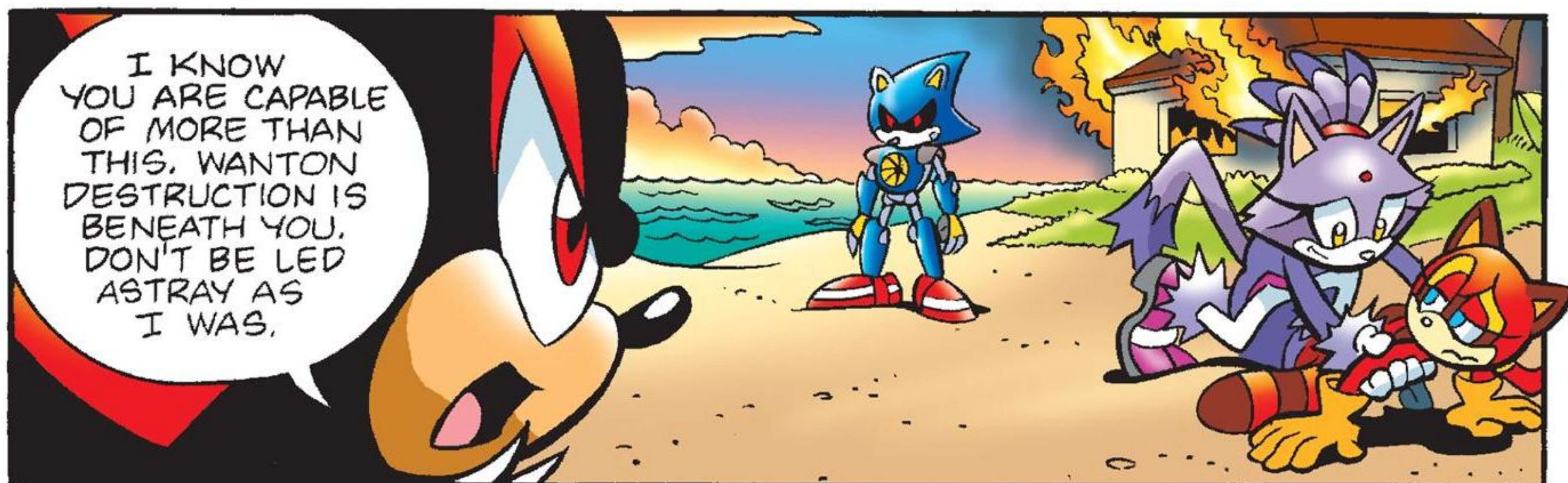
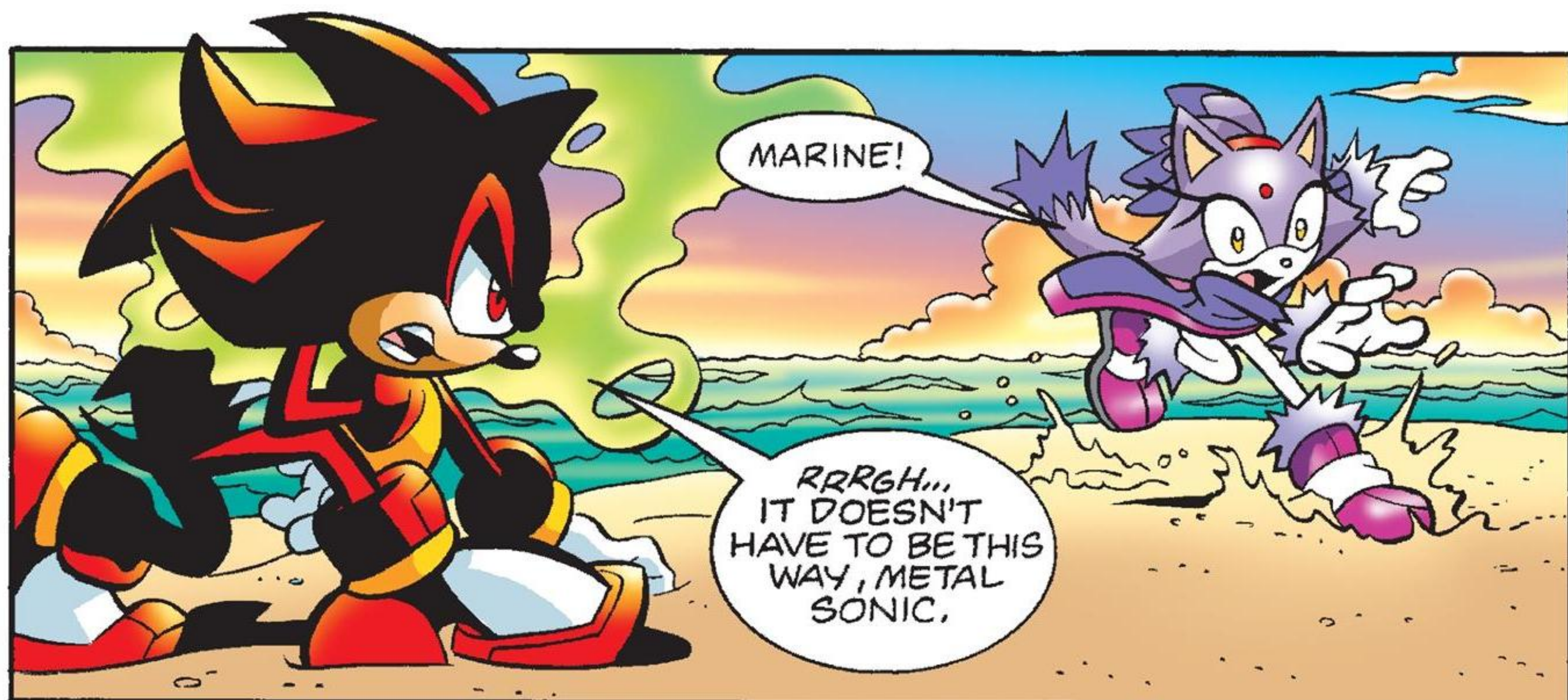


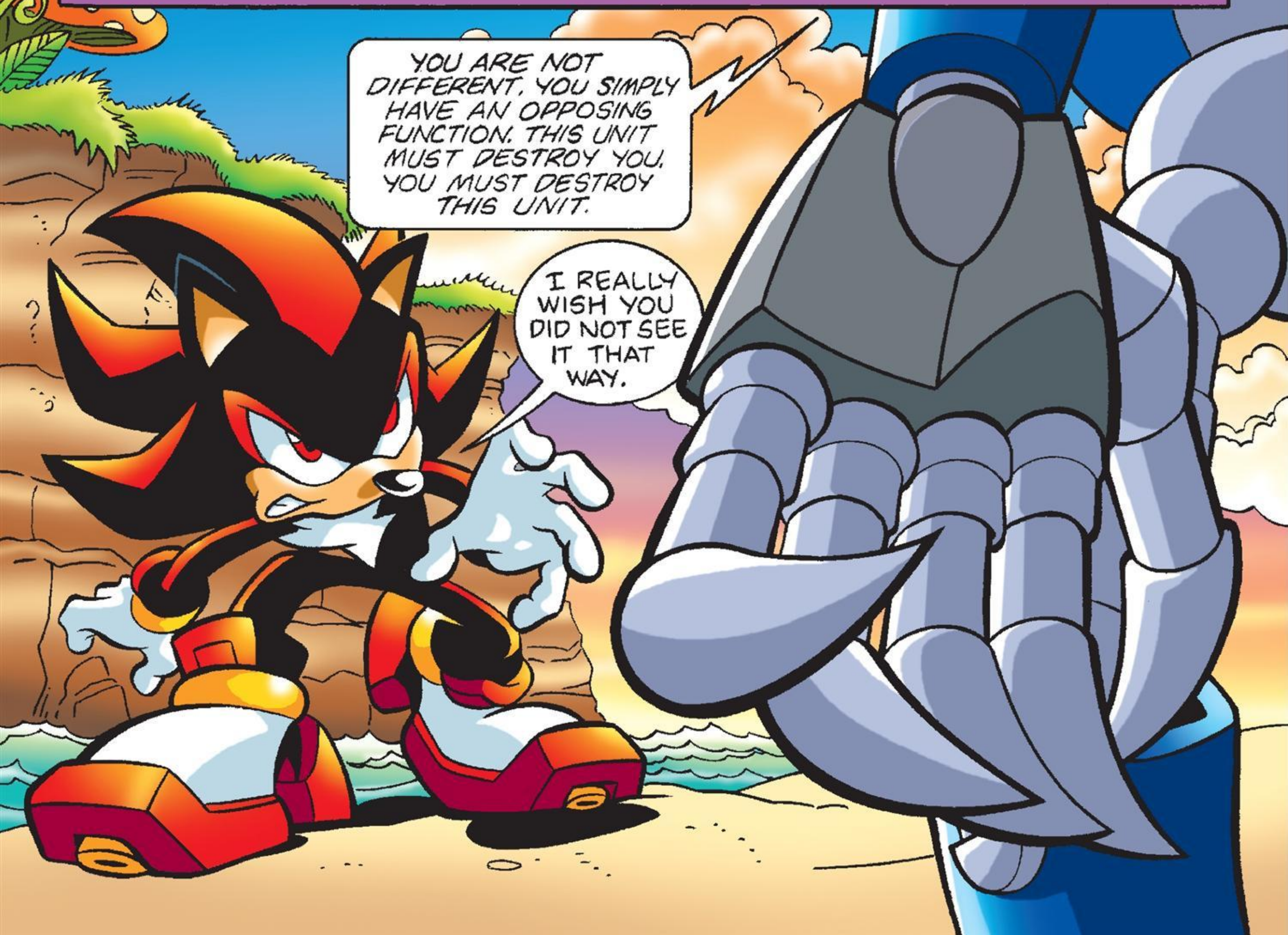


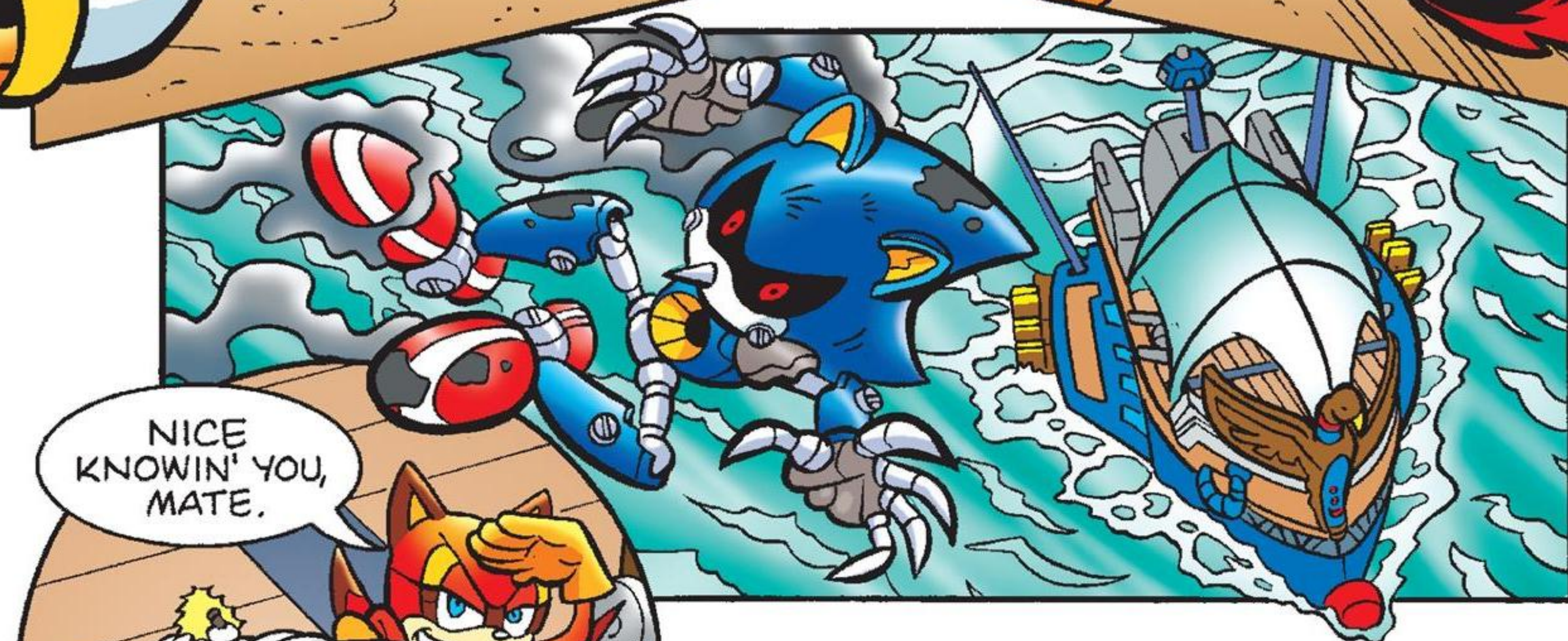
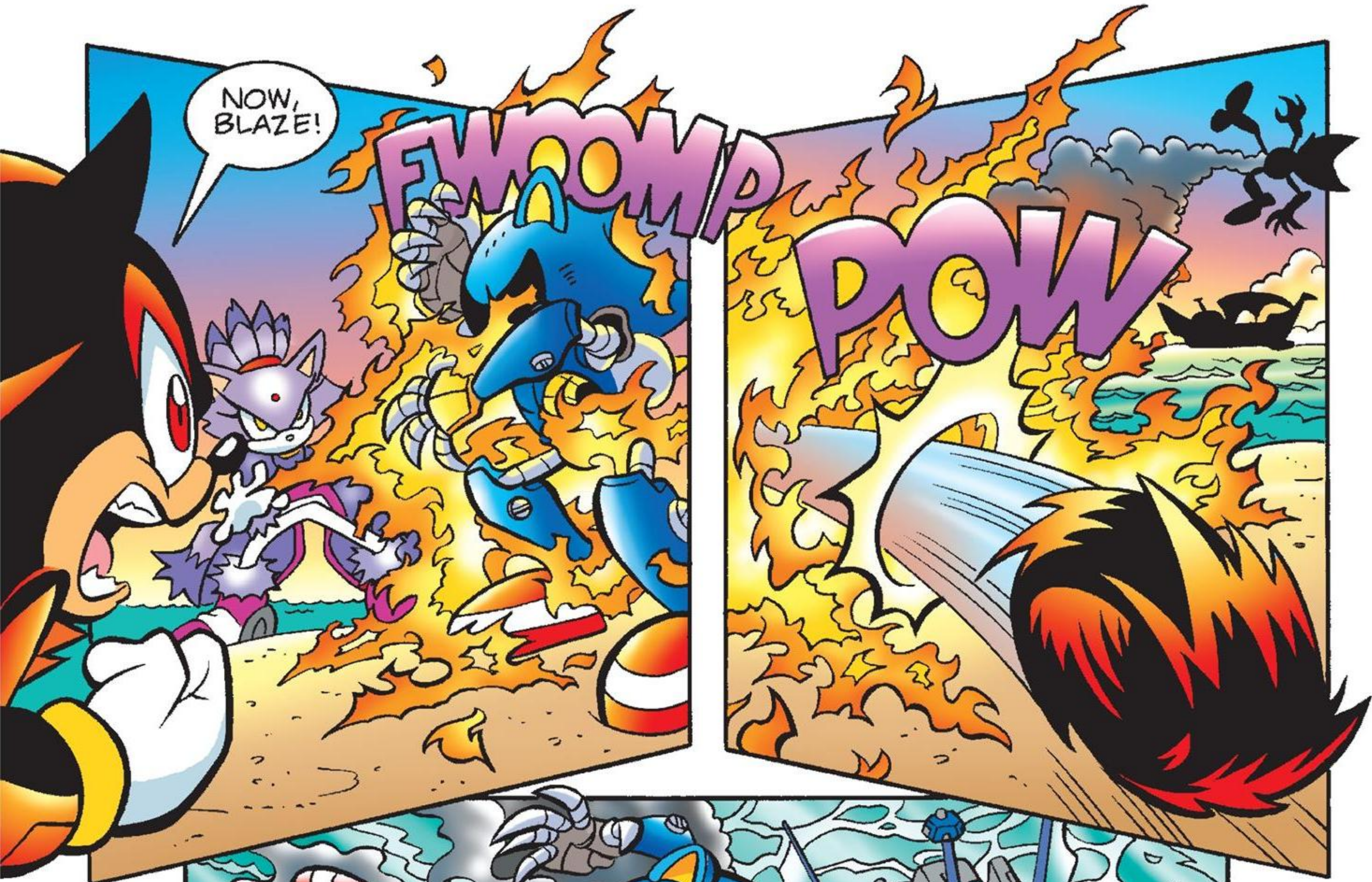












SHORTLY...

YAHOO!!!

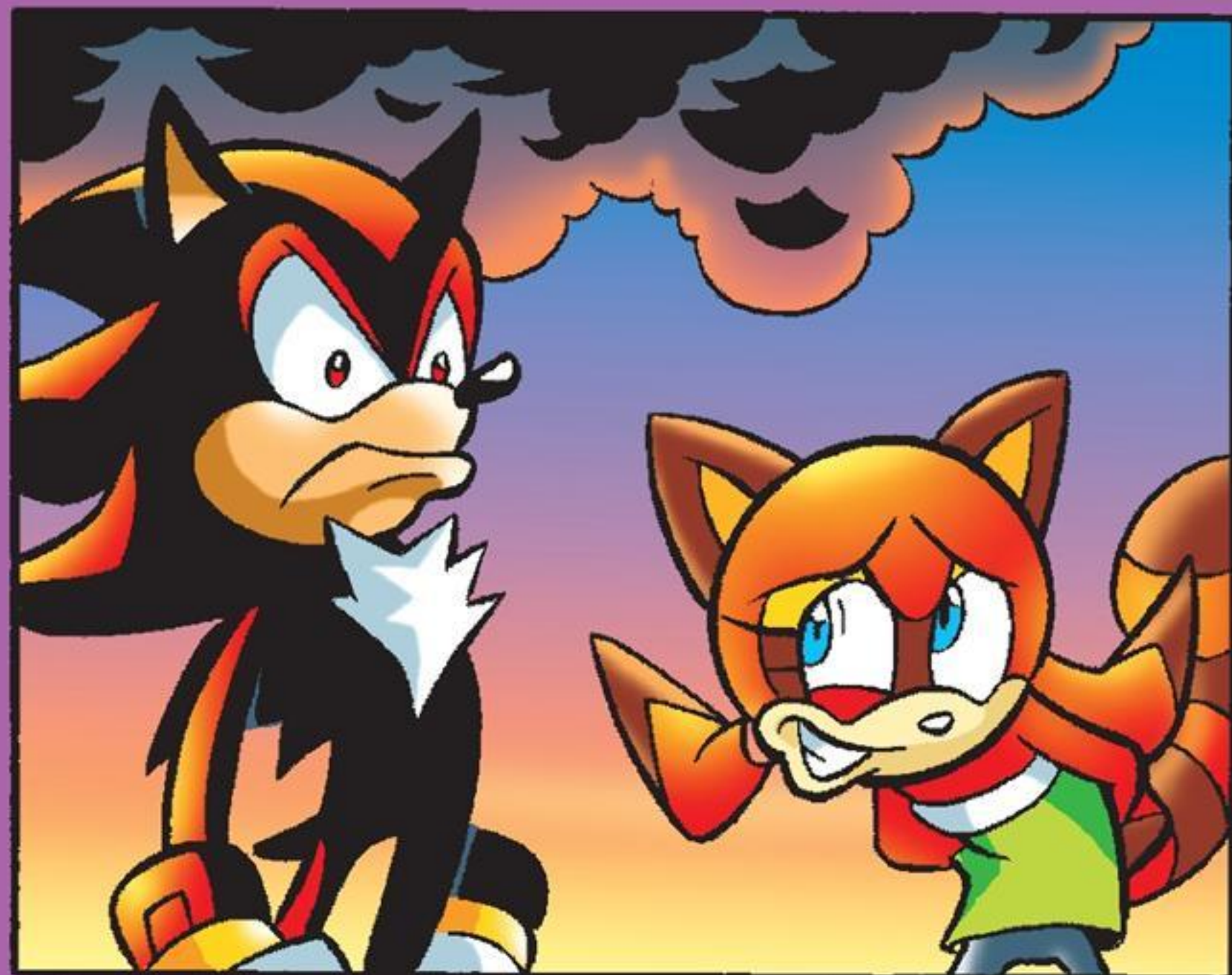
THAT WAS
RIPPER! DID
YOU SEE HOW
HE BLEW UP?!

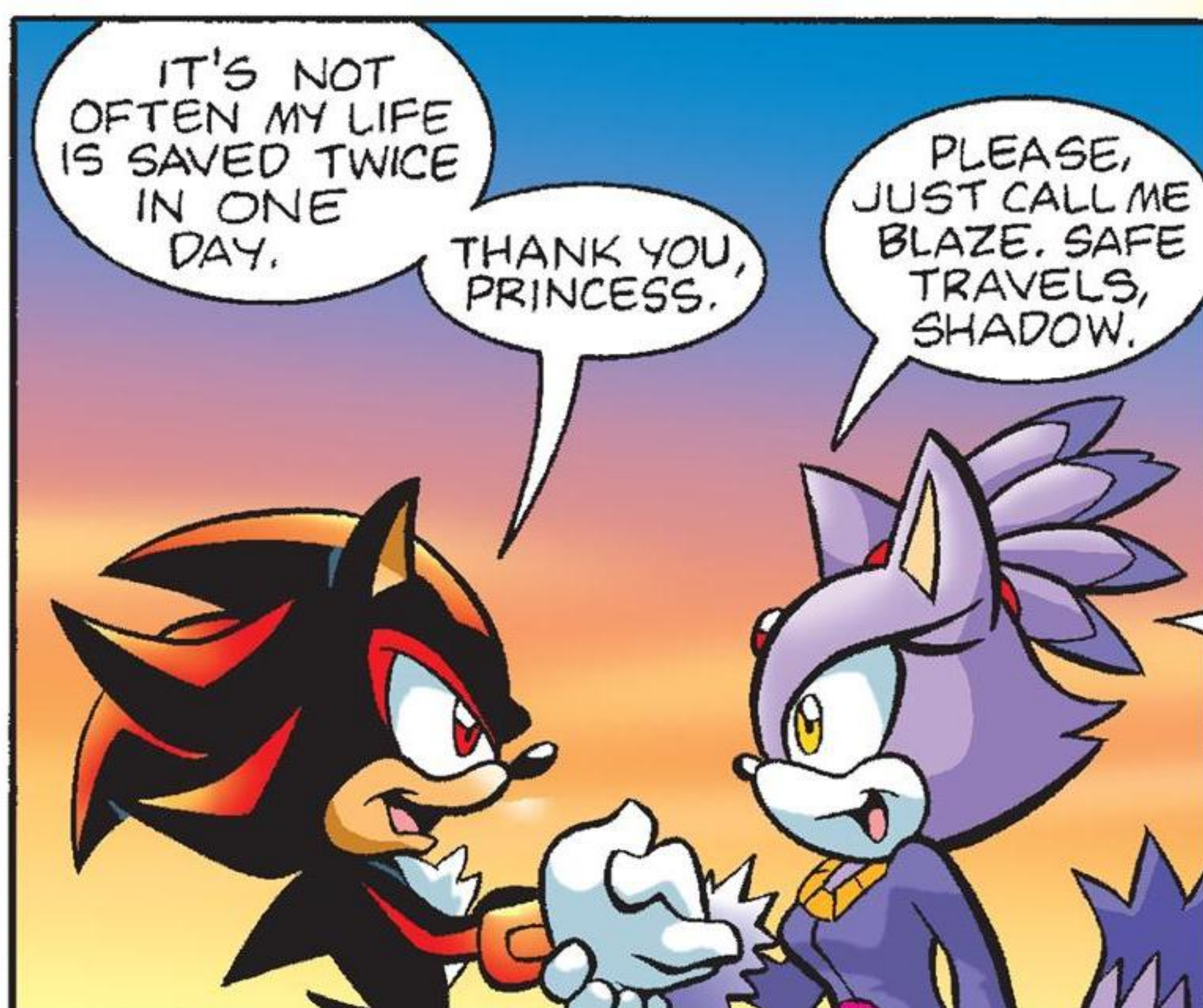
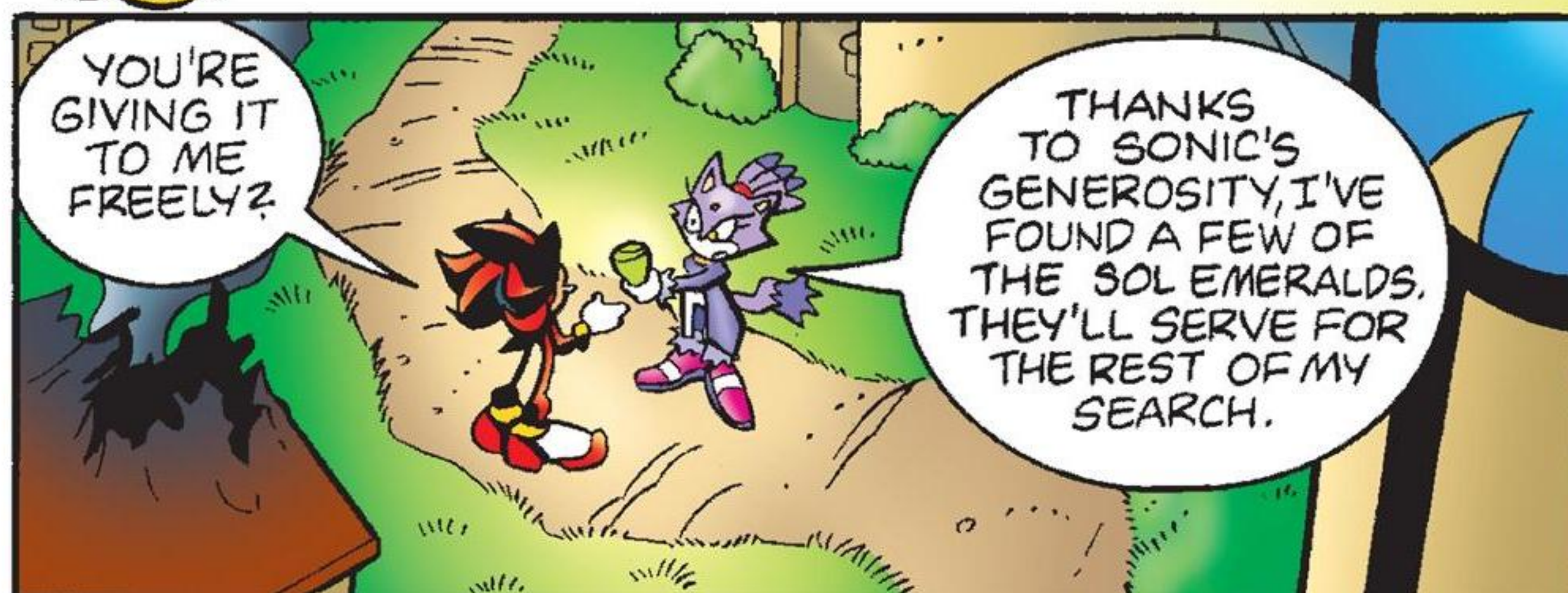
YES.
ALONG WITH
THE DIMENSIONAL
ENGINE THAT WAS
MY ONLY WAY
HOME.

Ah!
ROIGHT...
Hrm,

SINCE YOU
BLEW IT UP,
PERHAPS YOU COULD
BUILD ME A BOAT
AS YOU DID
TAILS?

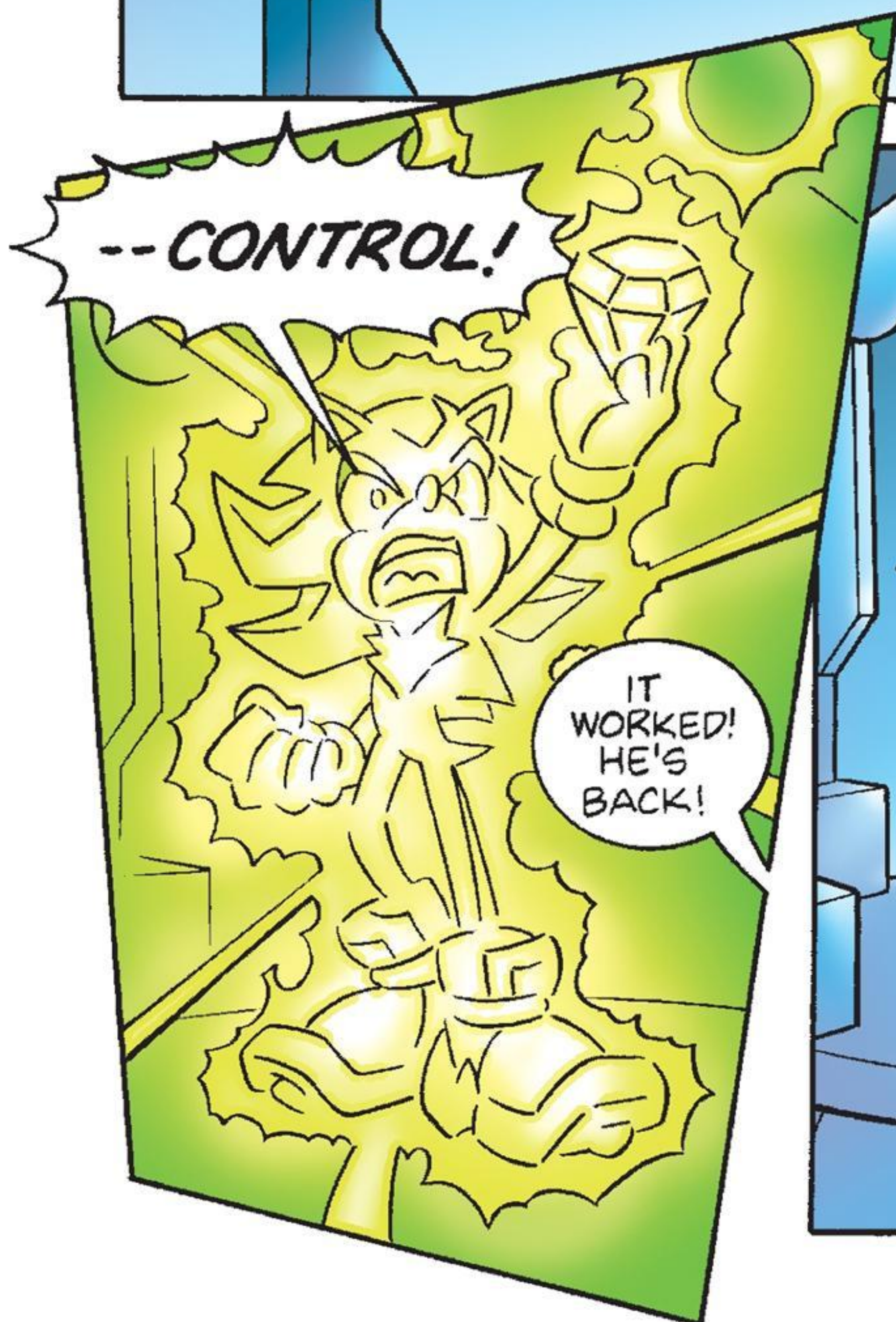
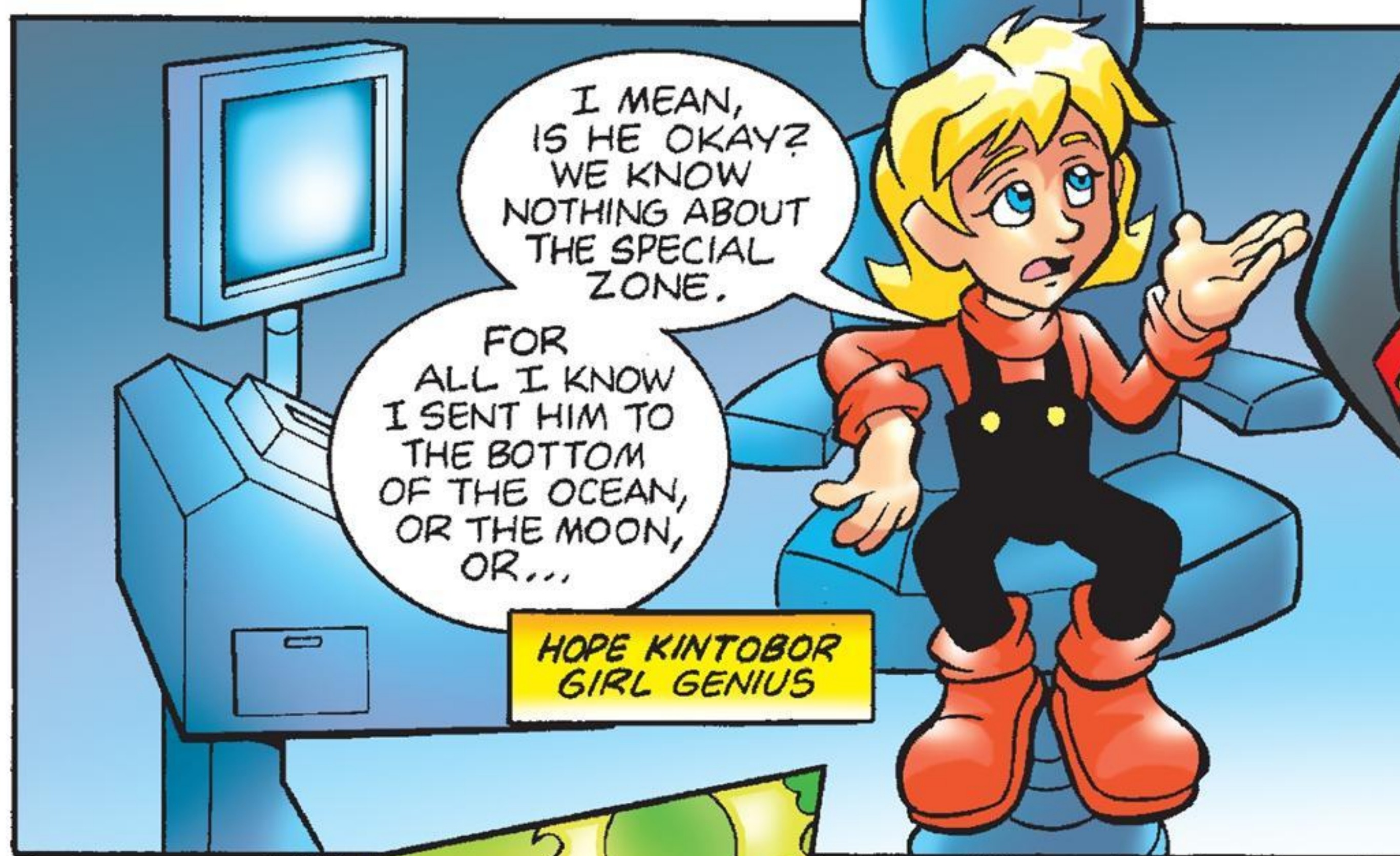
AH... SEE...
IT WAS MORE
LIKE HE BUILT
IT AND I...
OVERSAW...
DEVELOPMENT?







COMMANDER
ABRAHAM TOWER
CHIEF OF G.U.N.





THEN
WHERE DID
THIS...?

AGENT
SHADOW.

COMMANDER
TOWER, SIR.
MISSION
ACCOMPLISHED.

YOU'RE ON
YOUR WAY TO
BECOMING MY
TOP AGENT.
ANY
TROUBLE?

NONE, ASIDE
FROM CROSSING
THREE ZONES AND
NEUTRALIZING THE
LATEST METAL
SONIC.

BUT HE
GOT A CHAOS
EMERALD LIKE
YOU ASKED HIM
TO!

PRECISELY.

GOOD
JOB, AGENT
SHADOW.
REST UP.
YOUR NEXT
MISSION DEPARTS
TONIGHT.

That's the end of another Metal
Sonic, but what about the real one?
It's a race against time and a glance
to the past in the next
**SONIC
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Sonic better outrun the fiery fury of the Phoenix, or you can kiss big blue goodbye!

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AWH! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE HAD A SECOND BOOK TO STRETCH OUT IN!

TELL ME ABOUT IT. YOU STARTED SHARING RENT BACK IN '99.



I CAN GET BACK TO MY OWN ADVENTURES... GET MY OWN VILLAINS AND SUPPORTING CAST AGAIN... THIS WILL BE GREAT!

ER... YEAH, ABOUT THAT...



OUR OWN BOOK. HOW VERY... NICE.

HEY BOYS! BE A COUPLE OF DEARS AND BRING IN OUR BAGS, MMM?

YEAH, SEE, THIS IS MORE LIKE A TIME-SHARE AND SHADOW HAD DIBS. YOUR STORY DOESN'T START UNTIL ISSUE #9.



I HAD DIBS NINE YEARS AGO! YOU BOOK STEALERS!
(ROUGE I COULD UNDERSTAND, BUT--)
I WAS HIS MAYBE EVIL RIVAL FIRST!

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